

Pulse 5M9

Leading Lions To A Healthier Future



Linda Albrecht-Norby
5M9 District Governor



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“Space Odyssey 2010” The Magic of Kamp KACE



The 2010 “Space Odyssey” Kamp KACE campers.

This year at KAMP KACE could be described as something like a magic show. As fast as things appeared they just as quickly disappeared. On Sunday night 6 gallons of ice cream along with bowls of toppings and sauces disappeared in minutes. Monday night 45 pizzas disappeared as if David Cooperfield was in the room. Tuesday as fast as the boats could get out on the lake, fish started appearing in the boats, but the coolers on the boat packed with beverages and goodies did a disappearing act. Wednesday night the fish that was caught the day before again disappeared in short order. The one thing that remained constant was the smiles and laughter of the 93 participants in this year’s camp.

Kamp KACE celebrated its 24th year and the Lions have been helping for 22 of those years. It has grown from helping with repairs, to

building ramps, a beautiful Lions dining hall, to this year completing the Lions Handicap cabin.

This year 93 campers ranging in age from 5 to 18 came to enjoy a week of camp and to forget about their fight with cancer. Excitement, fun and adventure are planned for the campers. They have the opportunity to take part in recreational activities such as swimming, canoeing, crafts and games, pottery, candle making, drawing, beading, camping and more.

Again this year, the Lions of 5M9 exemplified the motto of our organization, WE SERVE, during the camp, close to 300 hours of volunteer time was dis-

pensed by the Lions and friends.

The theme for this year’s camp was “Space Odyssey 2010” and the highlight of the camp, sponsored by the Lions, was a NASA engineer who explained to the campers all about rockets and the Space Program.

The Lions during the week sponsored and supplied the manpower to run the following



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Lions



Heartbeat of 5M9

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Fellow Lions, the school year has begun and that means the young minds in many households will return to school the day after Labor

Day. Education is not only for young minds, but is for everyone that is willing to continue learning. With so many challenges facing us each year and the need to find new leadership in our District, this is an opportunity for the Lions in 5M9 to sign up for an exciting opportunity. This spring, we will hold the 4th Regional Lions Leadership Institute in Mahanomen. Right here, close to our own backyard will be a learning experience for any Lion to venture forward and grasp the Lion by the



Lions Don Hendrickx, 2nd Vice District Governor Margaret VanErp, District Governor Linda Norby and PDG Pete VanErp are cooking up all the fish caught during the day.

man. This is a learning experience that will help anyone who has been thinking about stepping into a leadership role. Applications are available online or in last month's newsletter. The cost to attend is \$150.00 and \$100.00 will be returned to you after you have completed the training. It is fun, educational, user friendly and just downright exciting! The deadline for applications is December 1, 2010, and your \$150.00 check must accompany your application. 5M9 has long been a shining star at the Institute and we have sent great Lions to represent our District. There will be group sessions, lots of fun and exciting things to find out about Lions in the Leadership role. If you are a Lion looking to take that next step, this is the place to be April 7-10, 2011. See you in Mahanomen at the Shooting Star Convention Center to take the next step on the Pathway of Service!

Lions for Lions is the USA/ Canada Forum being held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, September 23-25, 2010. To learn more about the forums, go to the 5M9 website, browse around, and check out the great things happening at this year's forum. It couldn't be any closer! This is by far the best way any Lion could learn more about the Lions Organization. There is much to see and do, including educational sessions and a chance to meet International President Sid L. Scruggs, III and his lovely wife Judy, International Directors, International officers and Lions from all over the world for just plain Lion fellowship. There are also tours of the Harley Davidson plant and sights around Milwaukee to see. Plans are also in the works for a baseball game! So, let your fingers do the walking to check out the Forum.

This year will be an exciting one for all of us! As stated last month, it's time to get back to basics and remember what we do as Lions for our communities. Serving our communities is what the Lions clubs do best. We need to give back to the folks who support our projects and help our communities the best way we can. Together, we can all do great things!

Recognition is an important part of the Lions Organization. As Lions, we need to remember the great jobs that our clubs and individual Lions do. It may be as simply as thanking a fellow Lion for serving pancakes at the local pancake feed to giving your all to a project you totally believe in. No matter what

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Lion Leaders

lead the way to a better tomorrow!

Another great learning experience about

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Please submit stories, photos with captions, ads and other material to the editor before the 15th of the month.

Subscriptions are \$10 for one year.

“Walking the path”

September

2 5M9 State Fair booth
5 McGregor Corn Feed
8 DG Linda's reminder to 1st Dude Jay, it's our Anniversary
11 Tail Twisting Training - Bluffton
11 Lakeland Hospice Ride
14 DG Linda MD5M Mtg - St. Cloud
15 Zone 6 mtg Osage Comm. Hall 6pm
16 Zone 5 mtg
20 Northland Remer Lions visit
21 Zone 4 mtg Cass Lake Senior Center
5:30 Secretary mtg w/ 2nd VDG Margaret
23-25 USA/Canada Forum, Milwaukee
27 Cass Lake Lake Country Lions visit
27 Zone 3 Mtg, Pine River
29 Zone 3 mtg Pine River American Legion 5:30 social

October

2 Eye Bank Bd. Mtg
4 Nimrod & Leader Lions visit
5 Menahga Gateway Lions visit
7 DG Linda MD5M Mtg - St. Cloud
9 MN Lions EyeBank tours
Diabetes Expo 9-3, Mpls Conv Center
10 5M9 Mini Forum - Parkers Prairie
11 Wadena Lions visit
12 Park Rapids Lions visit
13 Garrison Lions visit
14 Perham Lakes Lions visit
14-16 VDG training
16 Council of Governors, Mahnoman
19 Aitkin & Aitkin Riverboat membership drive
18 Sebeka Lions visit
21-23 Leo Leadership Conf. Camp Friendship, Annandale
24 Cabinet mtg, Breezy Point
25 Bluffton Lions visit
28 Zone 5 mtg
30 Thanksgiving For Vision

November

4 Pelican Rapids Lions visit
8 Deerwood Lions visit
9 Vergas Lions visit
16 Zone 3 & 4 mtg

December

8 Walker Lions visit
13 Osage Lions visit

January 2011

7-9 5M5 MWC Brooklyn Park



“Catch’n the Lunker”

1st Vice District Governor
Bruce Beck



Let's “Float the Boat” for Leader Dog!

Greetings All,

Summer is wrapping up and we are feeling the twinges of Fall in the air. I am believing that your summer projects were successful and everyone “got your limits” at your booths, parades, fundraisers and service projects. This month I am compelled to spend sometime in my article on the Lions Leader Dog for the Blind program. I have just returned from Rochester Michigan where I had the opportunity to see first hand all that the Lions are doing for the Leader Dog (LD) program.

The LD program is fulfilling the “original” tenet of Lions, holding true to Helen Keller's 1925 challenge to the Lions to become “Knights of the Blind”. The LD program provides free services to the blind and visually impaired. I want to highlight the different programs & services LD provides. They are; dog guide program, deaf-blind dog guide program, orientation & mobility training, GPS training, youth programs (16 & older), seminars for professionals, youth programs, and dog adoptions. I wish that I had the time & space to go into detail myself, but this is not the place. Clubs, please have one of our dynamic LD Program Chairs come to your club and give a presentation, you will be glad you did. Clubs on the east end can contact Lion Dave Petry @ 218-927-6905. Aitkin Lion Dave is also a LD puppy raiser and has experienced based knowledge about Leader Dogs. Also, LD is always looking for more puppy raisers. Lion Dave can tell you how you or a club member can become a puppy raiser for LD too. On the west end of the District, clubs can contact Park Rapids Lion Dick Kimball @ 218-732-8125. Lion Dick is also the LD Chair for the 5M Multiple. You will find no one more passionate and knowledgeable about LD. Quite simply, if you want to get your club motivated, inspired, and feel good about what the Lions are doing, pick up the phone and give Lions Dave or Dick a call.

For many years the 5M multiple has been in the top 3 givers to LD, this past year we dropped to 4th. We in 5M9 are pretty good at giving, but are not yet at the 100% club level and that needs to change. In 5M9 I want to see 100% of our clubs donating to LD and get back to where we belong in the top three. Let's “Float the Boat” for Leader Dog!

See ya “on the water,”

1st VDG Lion Bruce

5M9 Mini – Forum

Prairie Event Center, Parkers Prairie
Sunday, October 10 • 1:00 pm

Stitching together the news of 5M9

**2nd Vice District Governor
Margaret Van Erp**



Before I started this article, I looked at our planner with many dates already filling up with Lion activities. Have you asked that neighbor or friend about coming to a Lions meeting and seeing what us Lions do in and around our community? With the zone meetings starting that would be a good time to invite them to come along and see what the whole zone does. Please plan to attend the zone meeting for your area or even venture out of your own zone and attend a zone meeting in your neighboring zone. All Presidents, Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, board members should attend your zone meetings. Encourage your other members to attend also. Every club has some great fun raising ideas, projects and service projects that all of us can learn from. Invite some of the project chairs to come to your meetings and give a project program. Even though you may have had that program a couple years (or even 10 years) ago each program has a few changes each year. If you don't have them come and explain what their program does your club falls behind in the information that they have. Also think of your new members—they haven't heard about all of the different programs that are in our Lions. Every project chair would be more than happy to come to your club meeting and give that program. Does your club still have your MERLO book? It's a BIG white book with allot of very good information in it. I know it hasn't been updated for a while but still many things remain the same or if you have a question do you go on the Lions website and find it? If you need any help in finding your answer please contact DG Linda, 1st VDG Bruce or myself and we will help with find the answer or let you know where you can find it.

We will be going to the US/Canada Forum that will be held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin from September 23rd through the 25th. There are always so many seminars to attend that one wishes that you could divide yourself so you could attend more of them. It is the best Lions information seminar that you can attend. There are sessions for everyone. If you have never attended a US/Canada Forum you really should do yourself a favor and plan to attend this one since it is fairly close. Next year it will be in Alaska.

One last thing before I go to my sewing machine again----Have you started a project with any of your youth in your community???? School will be starting very soon, so that means fall is right around the corner. So start thinking of a project that the youth could help with---rake those leaves for an elderly neighbor, clean up branches in a yard after all of the winds we have had, or clean up the city park now that most of the vacationers are gone. Don't forget to take some pictures and get them to Lion Bert to put in our newsletter and also in your town newspaper.

Until next month

2nd VDG / ZCA Lion Margaret

Help our neighbors

With the events in our weather that have hit our area in the last few weeks, it's time for the Lions of 5M9 to pull together. Many of our friends, family, neighbors and fellow Lions have lost much since the tornadoes of June 17. These storms took much away from us in material things, but they can never take away our spirit, fight and pride. We can be grateful that no life was lost after these horrendous storms hit our area, Immediate Past District Governor Jim Arvidson saw the need and made the call to Lions Clubs International and got an emergency grant for \$10,000. With these



funds, basic needs of water, blankets, Gatorade and much more were acquired and handed out the next day to those who needed them. Food was prepared by the Underwood Lions and many more organizations to help feed the volunteers that came to help. We did what we do best, WE SERVE!

The clean up has begun, but there is much more that we can do as Lions. We can open our eyes and open our hearts to donate to the disaster fund for District 5M9. I have appointed a committee to come up with suggestions for how we can help and any ideas you may have are welcome also. It was nice to see the Wadena County Fair go on to lift spirits and brighten a day or two of those who lost so much. We will rebuild, but it will take time. We need to brighten the lives of those who lost so much, so please send your suggestions and I will pass them onto the committee. Many things to do our out of our hands until the insurance claims can be processed. Let's think community wide service! Something that will benefit the community as a whole, not just individuals. Here is the perfect opportunity for us to do community service at it's best.

Please send your donations to District Treasurer Eldon Bergman, 50726 Wymer Lake Loop, Frazee, Mn. 56544. Make checks payable to District 5M9 (with a memo note for Tornado Disaster Fund).

WE SERVED!

Thank You For Your Support!

5M9 DG Linda Albrecht-Norby

**Support the
Wadena Lions**

LOTY Richters



DG Linda Albrecht-Norby congratulates Emily Outing Fifty Lakes Lion of the Year, Lion Roger Richters.

Who is Governor Linda?

District Governor Linda Albrecht-Norby's biography.

Member of the Vergas Lions club since 2001.

Married to Lion Jay Norby for 9 years.

They have 4 children: Brian Ahart, Jennifer (Ahart) Schmitz
Chris Ahart, and Chris Norby

Four Grandchildren: Taylor Ahart, Cody Ahart
Kadence Schmitz, Kylie Ahart and #5 due in January

Lion Linda has received the following awards:

- International President's Certificate of Appreciation
- Melvin Jones Fellowship
- Lion of the Year
- Perfect Attendance since joining the Vergas Lions Club

She has chaired most of the clubs major fund raising events and remains Blood Drive Chair for 4 drives a year. She has been the Zone 7 chair and attended all Mid-Winters since becoming a Lion.

On the District level Lion Linda and Jay have been involved with the Lion's Youth Exchange Program for the past 8 years and have hosted over 21 students in their home.

She has also been working with the District Extension Chair in helping promote new clubs in the District.

On the Multiple level, she was a graduate of the first Leadership Institute held in MD5M 2005 and has attended most of the Multiple Conventions and attended the USA/Canada Forum the last 6 years.

Lion Linda has worked in the Healthcare Field for over 18 years and is currently a LPN and Volunteer Coordinator for Lakeland Hospice & Home Care. She is very involved in helping with fund raising and the Motorcycle Run each year.

In her spare time she finds time to enjoy sewing, stain glass, bowling, glass etching, wood working, golf and model railroading with Jay.

5M9 Mini – Forum

Prairie Event Center, Parkers Prairie
Sunday, October 10 • 1:00 pm

Featured Speaker will be

“Megan Bening”

This Young Lady, Blind since Birth, will give a very entertaining Speech.

**“It’s All About Me
I’m Just a Typical Teenager”**

Be There -It will be a “GREAT DAY!!”

Lions Clubs International Foundation – Building a Stronger Foundation, Creating a Better World

Lions Clubs International Foundation, the official charitable Foundation of Lions Clubs International, brings help, hope and healing to the world. Grant funding is awarded to Lions districts worldwide for large-scale humanitarian projects that address community needs.

The Foundation's mission is to support the efforts of Lions clubs worldwide in serving their local communities and the world community as they carry out essential humanitarian service projects. Through LCIF, Lions tackle global problems such as blindness and hearing loss and respond to major catastrophes such as earthquakes and floods. But LCIF also helps Lions serve their local communities by partnering with them to build schools, health clinics and vocational training centers for the disabled.

LCIF helps people to lead healthier and more productive lives, nurtures the potential of youth, promotes health, serves the elderly, empowers the disabled and helps victims of disasters.

WELCOME NEW LIONS MEMBERS TO 5M9!

New Member	Club	Sponsor
Barbara Burt	Bay Lake	Tom Burt
Joan Brose	Cass Lake Lake Country	Donna Bloomquist
Zaida Novak	Cass Lake Lake Country	Karen Frazer
Ron Fox	Cuyuna	Richard Waby
Julie Cline	Hackensack	Sue Larson
Gary Guttormson	Hackensack	Edwin Haefner
Denise Wickham	Hackensack	Marilyn Dascher
Rebecca McMenimen	Merrifield	Michael McMenimen
Bernard Warling	Merrifield	Ronald Scrimshaw
Kathy Yliniemi	Osage	
Gregory Eul	Park Rapids	Donald Lunke
Chelsey Anderson	Whitefish	

Cass Lake Lions present awards



Charter night for the Cass Lake Lions club was held June 14 at the Stony Point Canal House Restaurant in Cass Lake. Following the installation of new officers for the Lions year 2010-11, 16 club members were awarded attendance pins. The Lion of the Year plaque was presented to Lion Lynn Wimme, who also received his 20-year membership pin. **Lion Ardean Bragalla (left) was awarded the clubs' first Hearing Foundation Fellowship and Lion Leonard Tompkins (right) was presented the club's third Helen Keller Award.** These awards represent a contribution of \$1,000 to each program; the recipients are selected by fellow club members.

Mid Winter Convention reminders

Club Website contest

1. How up to date is the site?
2. Does the site communicate with the membership well - Upcoming meetings, events, etc.?
3. Does the site communicate with the community - How to become a member, fundraisers, functions, etc.?
4. Is the site tidy, eye appealing, attractive?
5. Can the site be easily navigated - is it laid out well.?

If you'd like to submit your club's site or have any questions, please contact Lion Jim Johansen at jkjohansen@juno.com or Lion Erin Beck at thebecks@mleclwb.net

Resolutions

Since there is little time to give due consideration of operating resolutions presented at these conventions and permit more time for discussion and deliberation. All resolutions affecting the business and operations of District 5M-9 be filed with the resolutions committee no later than five (5) days prior to the opening of the convention. This is done so all resolutions may be presented at the opening business session at the convention.

5M9 Directory Corrections

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MT Orientation/Retention		Remove Jim Arvidson
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Proud to be a LION!
Wear your pin!

WANTED: YOU!!

FOR: AN UNBELIEVABLE OPPORTUNITY

WHAT: 2011 Regional Lions Leadership Institute

WHEN: April 7-10, 2011

WHERE: Shooting Star Convention Center in Mahanomen

We are looking for Lions from your district to attend the 2011 Regional Lions Leadership Institute! Lions that are selected as participants in the Institute must be in good standing in a Lions Club and may not be a Vice District Governor, District Governor, Past District Governor, International Director, or Past International Director.

The \$150 fee for the Leadership Institute includes the cost of materials, facility, staff, and three (3) meals. Room costs and additional meals are not included. However, a \$100 rebate from MD5M, through a grant from LCI, will be given to each participant that completes the program. Participants must be available to attend all sessions beginning on Thursday evening and ending Sunday afternoon.

Each district has the opportunity to send six (6) participants; however, if other districts do

not meet their allotment, your district may send additional Lions. The Institute will have a maximum of 72 participants.

Applications are available from your District Governor or on the MD5M Website and are due (without fees) by December 1, 2010. Your District Governor will then make the final participant selection.

Institute graduates from your district will tell you that the Regional Lions Leadership Institute is beneficial for you in every facet of your life and not just in your role as a Lion.

If you have questions concerning the Institute, please feel free to contact: Lion Mary Ferleman - tomar73@charter.net

We look forward to giving YOU this UNBELIEVABLE OPPORTUNITY!!

The registration form is on page 8 of this newsletter.

5M9 Website

Updates have been made to the District Website. Some of the updates include new cabinet members, events, convention info, newsletters, etc. Everyone's help is needed to keep information current and to get new items of interest to current and potential new Lions. Please visit www.lionsof5m9.org and take a look.

If you have items to change or add, please email the webmaster through the website or e-mail items to thebecks@mlcwb.net or jkjohansen@juno.com.

Club newsletter and Brag book contests

All clubs with a newsletter and Brag Books are encouraged to bring them to the Mid-Winter Convention. You need to bring January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010 newsletters.

Newsletters and Books are to be placed on the display table by Saturday noon at the Mid-Winter Convention to be eligible for judging. A traveling trophy will be awarded on Sunday at the end of the convention.

Guidelines for the Brag Book and newsletter contests at the Mid Winter Convention. The judges are asked to look at a number of items in the books.

They include:

1. Over all appearance
2. Photos with cutlines (names of people in photo)
3. Newspaper articles and clippings
4. Order (by the month or events)
5. Story: what was involved in doing a project, cost, man hours, etc.
6. Programs of events: Mid Winter Convention, Multiple Convention, etc.
7. Membership names and officers
8. Miscellaneous

All these items are given points on a 1 to 5 scale and are judged on their own merit. But these items are just guidelines and the judges have the final decision.

The Joys of Volunteering From A to Z

- A**nswering a need
- B**uilding lasting relationships
- C**aring for others
- D**eveloping new skills
- E**arning respect and admiration
- F**eeling good about yourself
- G**iving back to the community
- H**earing "thank you!" from all those you help
- I**nspiring others with your dedication
- J**oining the millions like you in improving the world
- K**eeping active and involved
- L**ifting spirits
- M**aking great use of your time and talents
- N**oting great use of your time and talents
- O**pening doors to new experiences
- P**utting your compassion into action
- Q**uieting others' worries and fears
- R**eaching out to people in need
- S**preading smiles wherever you go
- T**ouching lives forever
- U**nderstanding people better
- V**italizing programs with your service
- W**arming hearts with your kindness
- X**-ploring new opportunities
- Y**ear-round appreciation
- Z**eroing in on what's important being part of the solution!



Lakes Lions/Perham Community Service

The Special Olympics Bocce Ball tournament was held on July 15th at the high school fields in Perham. The Lakes Lions/Perham served a turkey sandwich lunch to the 300 or so people who attended and participated in the tournament. Other Lions clubs helping in the coaching, marking and scoring of the game were Ottertail Lions and New York Mills Lions. It was a sunny day filled with lots of sunny smiles and laughter from all those who were present.

Pictured below are the Lakes Lions, Rosie Altstadt, Alana Hermann, Sharon Guck, Sharon Neuerburg and Gene Holzer serving the lunch.

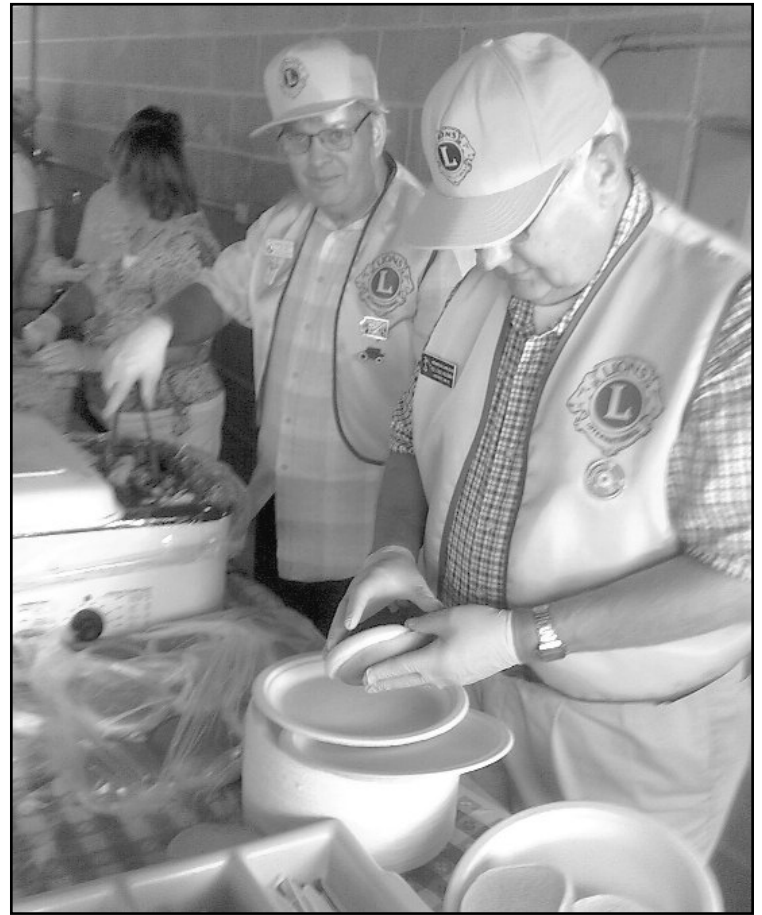


Raising money



The Lake Country Lions and Cass Lake Lions clubs of Cass Lake held a fundraiser at Clem's Hardware during their re-grand opening celebration Friday and Saturday, July 23 and 24, and served up brats, chips, and pop. The club raised money to help with various projects. The local Lions clubs are always a big supporter when it comes to helping community projects.

New fundraiser



Smaller Lions clubs like Merrifield keep on plugging away since they lost their charitable gambling site. Their only fundraiser now is an annual pig roast, held this year on July 25. They had a good crowd, a nice day, raffles, baked goods for sale, sawing and nail driving contests, and a flea market. Merrifield Lions working the serving line are Michael Schuety, Lyle Hillman (fixing the bun), and Sharon Blakeman (far end).

Colorado Peaches

The Backus Lions Club will be selling fancy, ripe, juicy, HUGE Colorado peaches on Thursday, September 9 beginning at approximately 8 a.m. at Jim's Off Sale Liquor parking lot, on the west side of Highway 371 just north of Backus. Sales will be first come first served. No advance orders.

Cost is \$24 per case with approximately 35 to 40 large, juicy peaches per case.

Profits from the peach sale will help the Backus Lions Club fund many activities in area communities including high school scholarships, food shelves, fire department, First Responders, service dog organizations and Peaceful Playgrounds.



Walking the Pathway of Service

5M9 District Governor's Visit Request

Club Name _____ Place of Meeting _____

Address _____ City _____

Date of Request: 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____

Social Time _____ Meal Time _____ Meeting Time _____

Will you have a meal? Yes _____ No _____

Will any other clubs be at meeting? Yes _____ No _____ Who? _____

Lion Requesting Visit _____

Phone Number _____ E-mail _____

Would you like the District Governor to.....

Speak? Yes ___ No ___

Install Officers? Yes ___ No ___

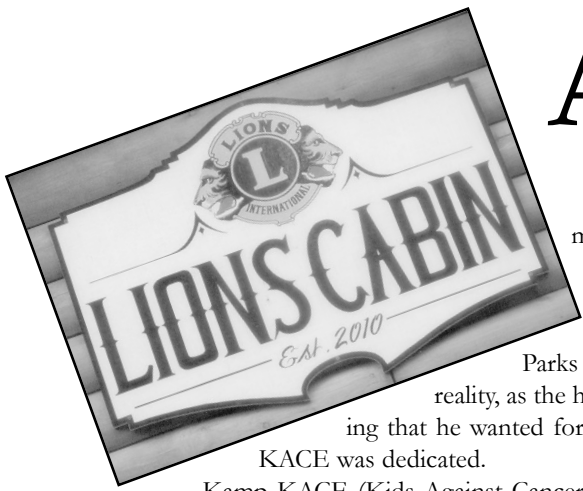
Install new Members? Yes ___ No ___

Special awards presentation? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, to whom and what award? _____

Mail request form or e-mail info ASAP and no later than October 1, 2010 to:

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Email: ljnorbs@eot.com

A dream come true



On a warm summer evening, a dream that Past District Governor Bill Parks had, came to a reality, as the handicapped building that he wanted for the kids a Kamp KACE was dedicated.

Kamp KACE (Kids Against Cancer Everywhere) is a camp located three miles out of Vergas, Minnesota on beautiful Lake Trowbridge and has been in operation for 24 years. Each year kids who are cancer stricken, from around the region come to spend six days at this camp and enjoy days filled with swimming, fishing, campfires, games and having fun, as kids are suppose to do. There are nurses and doctors there 24/7 to help with those who need medical attention.

The terrain at the camp made it very hard for those kids that were handicapped as there were no handicapped accessible showers or restrooms.

This is where Lion Bill Parks came into the picture. He spent many summers there fishing with these kids and would always come back and talk about his experience with tears in his eyes. His dream was to build a handicapped accessible building that would provide showers and rest-



The family of Bill and Dessie Parks along with Lion Don Hendrickx and District Governor Linda Norby are all smiles seeing the completion of Bill's dream.

ory that will hang inside the building.

On the same grounds, a dining hall was erected by the Lions several years ago, and Lion Bob Shields was instrumental in organizing that project. Lion Bob, has since passed away, but on this evening a plaque in his memory was also presented and that will hang in the dining hall.

Dreams do come true, as is evident in the construction of these buildings, made possible with the generosity of people and the hard work of Lions.



Hannah Kinn and Madyson Melgard, grandchildren of Don Hendrickx display a quilt made of tee shirts from Kamp KACE.

rooms, and also serve as a nurse's station.

It didn't take long for people to hear about his project and at a roast that was held for Lion Bill 2008, quite a sum of money was generated from people attending the roast. The ironic part of this journey was, that Bill was suffering from cancer himself, and he asked his good friend, Lion Don Hendrickx, to partner with him and get this building going. Lions clubs were contacted in District 5M9 and clubs were so generous in donating money, as were many local people around the community who heard of this project.

Sadly, Bill passed away in February 2008. Since then, Don has been busy, along with other Lions, in getting this 32x40 building erected. Then on August 4th, 2010, members of Bill's family and Lions members gathered to dedicate this building. There will be a plaque in Bill's mem-

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we do, remember to thank your fellow Lions this year for a job well done and add a handshake and smile. A little goes a long way!

Remember to get your club involved in the health projects this year! Host a glucose screening for the Diabetes Program; screen for glaucoma and peripheral vision and collect eye glasses for the Mn. Lions Eye Bank; collect hearing aids and talk about hearing loss for the MN Hearing Foundation; support a blood drive to help your community; and, sell tickets for Project New Hope and support the mental health of our returning vets and their families. The sky is the limit! Just pick something and show your community what Lions live for - SERVING!

The Mid-Winter Convention planning is well underway. There will be much to do this year, many new ideas and fun to get involved in at Breezy Point this January. Information regarding Convention Books and Hotel accommodations will be here soon. Bring yourselves and let's get ready to party the weekend away! There will be easy access to the event center from the hotel with shuttles and they will run for your convenience to get you to the events on time.

Walking the Pathway of Service!
DG Linda Albrecht-Norby



Big or little they all went to the fish cleaners for Wednesday nights fish fry.

programs, Ice Cream Social, Pictures of all the campers and staff, NASA Engineer, Pizzas and Dilly Bars, Smores, Fishing, Fish Cleaning, Fish Fry and Pop, Candy, Chips and Dip N' Dots. We also brought a crew in the week before camp to clean all of the cabins they would be using. Thank you to all of the Lions and friends who donated their time to this great camp.

This year we purchased approximately \$4000.00 worth of supplies and donated approximately 300 hours of volunteer help. Next year will be the 25th anniversary of KAMP KACE and we need your help. We can always use money, and whatever amount your club can donate is greatly appreciated. We also need volunteers for cleaning, pontoons for fishing, fish cleaners and supplies such as fishing poles. Whatever you can do to help will be accepted.

Please invite me to your clubs and I will put on a presentation about the camp. E-mail me at ljnorbis@eot.com or call 218-342-3243 or 218-234-7441.



1st Dude Jay waited patiently while DG Linda put the finishing touches on him as a Sundae.



3 young campers enjoy the treats at Kamp KACE's Ice Cream Social Sunday night. Compliments of the Vergas Lions Club.



DNR Water Safety Officers from Otter Tail County presented a program to the campers before they headed to the boats for a day of fishing.



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